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and 12. A marked version showing amendments to old claims 1, 4-8, 10 and 12 is shown in Appendix A. A clean version of claims 1, 4-8, 10 and 12 is presented on pages 2 through 4 of this response.

1. (Three times amended)

A device for the facilitated insertion of the male member into a condom, the condom having a condom external side, the device comprising:

- a hollow element for containing the condom, the hollow element having a volume and being provided with walls and an access aperture, the walls having a wall external side and a wall internal side;

- a brim fastening element for fastening a brim of the condom to the access aperture of the hollow element, forming an air chamber between the condom external side and the wall internal side of the hollow element; and

- a bearing element located inside the hollow element, the bearing element comprising a bearing plane for bearing a tip of the condom,

wherein the walls are mobile walls, movement of the mobile walls increasing the volume of the hollow element and creating a depression inside the air chamber, the depression resulting from the increased volume of the hollow element, forcing adhesion of the condom to the wall internal side of the hollow element and allowing the subsequent facilitated insertion of the male member.

4. (Four times amended)

The device according to claim 1, wherein the mobile walls are articulated in a telescopic relation therebetween.

5. (Four times amended)

The device according to claim 1, wherein elevation of the bearing element inside the hollow element is adjustable.

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6. (Four times amended)

The device according to claim 1, further comprising a protective element for avoiding contact between the condom external side and the wall internal side of the hollow element.

7. (Amended twice)

The device according to claim 6, wherein the protective element is removable.

8. (Four times amended)

The device according to claim 1, wherein the brim fastening element is integrally formed with the hollow element.

10. (Three times amended)

A method for the facilitated insertion of the male member into a condom, comprising the steps of:

- inserting the condom into a hollow element so as to form an air chamber between external walls of the condom and internal walls of the hollow element;

- providing a bearing plane for a tip of the condom;

- creating a depression in the air chamber, forcing adhesion of the condom to the internal walls of the hollow element, the depression being obtained by increasing the volume of the hollow element;

- inserting the male member inside the internal area of the condom; and

- removing the condom from the hollow element, in order for the condom to completely adhere to the male member.

12. (Four times amended)

The method according to claim 10, further comprising a step for re-establishing, after

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